

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2012, AT 7:00 P.M. AT NEUTRA HOUSE, 181 HILLVIEW AVENUE, LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

ROLL CALL & PLEDGE

PRESENT: Suzanne Ambiel (attending remotely via teleconference), Wes Brinsfield, Bill Crook, Karl Danz (acting Chair), Jim Fenton, Chris Hlavka, Bill Sheppard and Kathy Small (City Staff Liaison)

Members of the public: (none)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(none)

CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by Committee Member Bill Crook, seconded by Committee Member Wes Brinsfield, the following items were approved:

1. Committee Minutes
Approval of minutes – regular meeting of November 16, 2011 – Passed 6-0 (Hlavka abstained as she had not attended November meeting)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Debrief the City Council Meeting and Joint Study Session
 - Committee members reviewed the discussions that occurred at and outcomes from the December 15, 2011 meeting with Council Ad-Hoc Committee regarding creation of a Planning and Transportation Commission and/or other structural options
 - Committee members reviewed the discussions that occurred at and outcomes from the January 10, 2012 City Council Meeting which included this topic as a Discussion Item
3. Traffic/Parking at Main Library Proposal
 - In response to a request from the City Council the BPAC reviewed the proposed changes related to traffic and parking at the Main Library. Concerns were noted regarding several proposed elements: the median at the entrance, the crosswalk and the new parking spaces.
 - Bill Crook to prepare a committee report outlining our evaluation of the proposal. Motion by Chair Suzanne Ambiel, seconded by Wes Brinsfield and passed 7-0.
4. BPAC Goals and 2012 Work Plan
 - Committee member discussed a wide range of possible work items, and narrowed the list down to a working set which reflected the desire to have clear and specific goals for 2012
 - Chair Suzanne Ambiel to prepare a consolidated Work Plan for approval at the February BPAC meeting

5. Comprehensive Project List
6. Options for Updating the BPAC website
 - Continue the discussion on items #5 and #6 to the February BPAC meeting. Motion by Committee Member Wes Brinsfield, seconded by Bill Crook and passed 7-0
7. Task Force for the Four City Stevens Creek Trail Study
 - Committee Members assigned as liaisons to neighboring BPACs provided updates regarding activities (if any) in each of Cupertino, Mountain View and Sunnyvale
8. Traffic Commission update
 - Bill Crook provided an update from the December 15, 2011 special Traffic Commission meeting called to discuss the project at 40 Main Street
 - Wes Brinsfield provided an update from the regular November 30, 2011 Traffic Commission meeting – discussion included bikeway signage and rankings of dangerous intersections
9. Valley Transportation Authority, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee update
 - Committee Member Wes Brinsfield attended the January VTA BPAC (his first as the representative for Los Altos) and provided a comprehensive update from that meeting
10. Capital Improvement Projects update
 - Staff Liaison Kathy Small provided an update regarding CIPs in progress

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DIRECTION ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Suzanne Ambiel called for the next meeting to be held Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Next Agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of January meeting
2. BPAC 2012 Goals and Work Plan / 2011 Accomplishments
3. Schedule liaison assignments for 2012 Traffic Commission meetings
4. Update from January 31, 2012 public meeting regarding Homestead Road project
5. Continue items 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10

Future Agenda:

6. Sub-Committee Update (League of American Bicyclists Feedback)
7. Bikeways in the City of Los Altos (discuss the standards for the various types of bikeways)

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ambiel adjourned the meeting at 9:27 p.m.